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MARRIAGE.

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The Daily Press.HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DESVRES ROAD, CL.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 10TH, 1905.

Our correspondent "W. D." whose letter appeared in yesterday's paper, holds, in common with a great many people, the opinion that capital punishment is a relic of barbarism. He says it ought to be superseded "by something more humane, more philosophic, more just." Some definition becomes necessary before we can appreciate the value of his argument. We must know what he means by humanity, whether he perceives it as a sentiment of pity for an individual in trouble, or as a love of humanity in the aggregate. We must see why and where he discovers the unphilosophic side of capital punishment; and we must consider whether his conception of justice is or is not a true one. He adopts the Socratic method of transmitting his opinion that capital punishment is an act of revenge, and probably will not be satisfied with a negative answer to his question. Nevertheless, his opinion that the object of punishing a murderer is revenge is quite untenable. A vital condition attached to an individual's permission to associate with his fellows is that he must respect the sanctity of their lives. Without such an understanding, man's gregarious instinct could not be gratified. He would have to live, as it were, with his back to the tree, and regard everyone coming into view as a possible enemy. In the earlier communities, a killer was regarded as a common danger, and suppressed as such, for the good of the community. The simple

philosophy of those days was that a dead killer would kill no more. In later times, the view of capital punishment has been that it deters, not only the one put out of mischief, but all others beholding his fate. Thus, if the right humane feeling be that entertained for humanity at large, and if only two potential murderers be deterred by the fate of one, an execution is not only a humane punishment, but is ultimately an economiser of lives. This, it seems to us, is also sufficiently philosophic to dispose of our correspondent's second objection. As to the justice of it, there can be no question, if we set aside "W. D.'s" word "revenge" as improper. Capital punishment is an act of avenging, not of revenging. The distinction is that one is an act of justice, the other a private reprisal which may or may not be just. The pious CRABBE says that the act of avenging, though attended with the infliction of pain, is oftentimes an act of humanity, and always an act of justice. The principle of equality enters into all definitions of justice. A just punishment is one that fits the crime. Without considering the possibility that many men would rather die than undergo penal servitude, we have to consider if twenty years of liberty taken away is a fair price for a whole life cut off. In the case which has given rise to this discussion, one human creature was robbed of probably fifty or sixty years of existence. So much for the justice of it.

Our correspondent is, we admit, in the fashion when he attributes all crime to ignorance, disease, or insanity; but we can't help thinking it a dangerous doctrine to preach. There is a temptation to grave laxity in these pampered days when we are taught to disguise offences with euphemistic names, when a thief is no longer a thief, but a kleptomaniac; and when a brutal murderer is said to be suffering from a painful attack of homicidal mania. Toleration is a fine thing, but we should not be expected to tolerate evil. Every young rascal with sufficient brains or education to think of it, when his failure to curb his appetite or passion becomes patent, and incurs the censure of those about him, promptly pleads heredity or environment. The drunkard is offended by his true designation. He has, poor fellow, had the misfortune to inherit dipsomaniacal tendencies. There is, no doubt, something in it; but we no longer know where we stand, as we once did. Once upon a time,

"He who took what wasn't his'n
When he was caught was took to prison."

Now, the correct thing is to seek for a cause of his naughtiness among what "W. D." calls "the thousand and one impacts of environment," to prate of his necessities, to blame Government for omitting to provide him with a sinecure that would have kept him out of temptation; and finally to confine him temporarily as a first or second class misdemeanant. Sometimes he is the impudence to write a book about his experiences, and incidentally to criticise prison administration, while a silly, novelty-hungry society, which has lost its sense of proportion, foolishly applauds. The humane, or those who seem to claim a monopoly of the humane feelings, have done their best to abolish the birch rod and the "cat." By-and-by, when they have abolished all punishment, we shall perhaps revert to old-fashioned ways, if we be not all murdered in our beds meanwhile. It is very pretty to say, as "W. D." does, that "the seed of human nature is good." If we were agreed as to what is meant by that, we should probably concur; but there used to be a well-understood phrase having reference to a certain outcrop of human nature known as the "old Adam," and this thing needs repressing still. Experience has not shown that the new-fangled pseudo-scientific diagnosis of crime has helped to repress it. It is rather hard that we, as well as His Excellency the Governor, should be understood to lack the milk of human kindness simply because we do not permit our natural sentiments to blind us to the heinousness of certain kinds of behaviour; but it is useless to complain. Human people are prone to judge severely, it seems. Since, however, "W. D." has called our attention to the simile of the gardener and the tree, as particularly true in its bearing upon the present case, we do not feel any the less justified in the painful view we felt it our duty to take. He reminds us that "the development of the plant or tree depends upon what the master gardeners and their assistants, make of it." We have heard that when branches grow crookedly, the master gardeners, or their assistants, resort to pruning. They lop them off. That, as "W. D." has innocently indicated, is particularly true in its bearing upon the question of capital punishment.

The Nagasaki Hotel was re-opened on December 28th.

Three Portuguese are in custody at Shanghai, charged with wounding American sailors with razors.

The C.P.R. company is now taking passengers from Hongkong to London, by the St. Lawrence, for £40.

The Dalai Lama, supposed to have been in Peking since the fall of Lhasa, is now reported in St. Petersburg.

Subscriptions were voluntarily collected by Japanese in Japan for the relatives of the murdered Hull fishermen.

The Shanghai Taotai is said to have gone to the Japanese Consul and congratulated him on the capture of Port Arthur.

Twenty million people visited St. Louis Exposition. Of these, more than five millions were what the Americans call "deadheads."

There was a big children's party at the British Consulate at Amoy in Christmas week and another at the Club. All foreign children received gifts.

Mr. W. Danby, C.E., was asked yesterday "many times" if he were the writer of the letter signed "W. D." He wishes us to state that he was not. He was not.

Herr F. E. W. von Lohmeyer, Imperial German Consul, reached Amoy on the 15th December, per s.s. *Pandora* from Hongkong, to relieve Consul Dr. Marz, who has gone to Europe on furlough.

Return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 8th January, 1905, were 210 non-Chinese and 92 Chinese to the former, and 135 non-Chinese and 1,264 Chinese to the latter institution.

The year counts only one plague case, so far, the Chinese found dead in rear of Macdonell Road. The number of enteric cases has gone up to five, with one fatality. A European from Shanghai brought a case of smallpox.

The Consular Body at Shanghai is going to try to put restraint on a notorious gaming house on the outskirts of the settlement. It is understood now that the real owner of the premises is subject to German jurisdiction, and that Dr. Knape is more sympathetic to the cause of the municipal council than the Italian (Spanish?) Consul was.

The N.C. Daily News having reported that there was some apparent levity during the taking of evidence at the Russian Consulate, in the murder case, a lady wrote to explain that "one of the gentlemen engaged in the inquiry is affected by a most distressing nervous affection which takes the form of an insurmountable impulse to laugh even at the most inopportune moments."

A Wusel report has it that nearly three weeks ago a large mob attacked and burned down the residence of a member of the gentry of that city and a newly-established "new learning" school, as a protest against the collection of an additional tax on rice produced in that district. By the intercession of the military the riot was suppressed and three of the ring-leaders captured. These men were sent to trial and the sentence on two of them has been death by strangulation. Banishment to Chinese Turkostan is the fate of the third culprit.

The Ceylon Government is taking every possible precaution to prevent coal being taken surreptitiously from Colombo for the use of the Baltic Fleet. Every ship that does not belong to a regular line is closely examined. An instance in point has just occurred, says the Times of Ceylon. The s.s. *Powderham* arrived with a cargo of coal from Cardiff, and there being some doubt about her charter, she was not allowed to take in coal for her bunkers until the Principal Collector of Customs had gone into the matter and given his permission. The Governor is particularly anxious that Colombo should observe the strict letter of the law of neutrality.

A strange tragedy occurred at Brockton, Mass., Dec. 30, says the Shanghai Mercury, when the local manager of the Standard Oil Company, Mr. H. G. Masters, was electrocuted while standing at his office telephone. Mr. Masters had called up his wife to announce that he would be late for dinner, and as he finished talking, reached for the electric light switch beside the telephone in order to turn off the light in the office. With his right hand still on the metal cap which covered the electric light switch, Mr. Masters replaced the telephone receiver on the hook at the side of the instrument. As his left hand came in contact with the metal hook, an electric circuit was completed, and Mr. Masters instantly killed.

A Tientsin paper reports that when a string of camels laden with wool, which had been brought down from beyond Kalgan, were being unloaded into the godown of Messrs. Liddell & Co. at Feungta, the discovery was made that the apparently innocent bales contained arms and ammunition. The godown man very properly reported the matter to the railway police, who at once communicated with Director-Generals Viceroy Yuan and Hu Yu-mei, also Mr. Liang and Mr. Chum. The cargo, together with a foreigner and the Chinese who were in charge of it, were placed under detention, the foreigner it is said sending word to the Russo-Chinese Bank in Peking, notifying the manager of the occurrence. Examination led to the discovery of some 3,000 packages containing either arms or ammunition, some of the bales concealing six boxes of Mauser cartridges, the total number being estimated at 1,600 in each case.

The baby son (aged fourteen months) of Mr. J. Watt Jameison, the well-known salvage expert, died at the King Edward Hotel yesterday.

A fortnight ago Mr. Russell Colegrave, 32 years of age, died at Peking. He was, it will be remembered, the President of the projected Canton-Hongkong Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd.

Bangkok has been visited by plague for the first time in history. It broke out among Indians, of whom several have died. The patients were at once isolated, precautionary measures were taken, and rats were hunted down.

Shareholders in the Wo Shun Steamboat Co., Ltd., held a meeting at the offices of the Company, No. 138 Connaught Road, yesterday afternoon. Mr. Wong Kam Fuk presided, and there were also present Mr. Hung King Chuen (Manager), Mr. Leung Ching Pao, and others. A special resolution—That the capital of the Company be increased to \$140,000 by the creation of 900 new shares of \$100 each—was confirmed.

A fairly large audience at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, was again given a musical treat last evening by the band of S.M.S. *Finst Bismarck*. To music lovers of the community, the excellent performances given by this band are well known and much appreciated. The concert last night was up to the usual high standard and, judging by the rounds of applause following each item, these present enjoyed themselves immensely.

"Banyan's" suggestion for the repair of the Chamberlain Road, at the Peak, is being acted upon. The contractor is busy preparing material, and it is evident that a thorough job is intended. It is hoped that a percentage of cement will be used for the top dressing, as it not only lasts twice or thrice as long, but it also prevents the road becoming slimy as is the case where lime concrete only is employed.

On Dec. 31st the Straits Times published this item: Among the passengers who arrived by the German mail yesterday was Mr. Alfred Dickinson, of Messrs. Dick Kerr and Co., contractor for the Singapore Electric Tramways. Mr. Dickinson made an inspection of the Power Station in Mackenzie Road and of the lines so far as they have been laid. After a short stay here he will proceed to Hongkong to make an inspection of the working of the electric tramway system for the laying down of which Messrs. Dick Kerr and Co. were also the contractors.

The A.D.C. members are hard at work rehearsing the well-known comedy "Jane." Last night they had dinner in the theatre, in order to secure an uninterrupted rehearsal. The date for the production is the 21st inst. The cast is as follows:

Charley Shaefleton ... Captain Smith, R.A.
Mr. Kershaw ... Mr. H. W. Looker
William Thorne ... Mr. H. W. Bird
Mr. Pixton ... Mr. M. D. Silas
Claude ... Mr. Tester
Jane ... Mrs. Hall Wright
Mrs. Chadwick ... Mrs. J. Hooper
Lucy Norton ... Mrs. Chichester
Mrs. Pixton ... Mrs. E. W. Mitchell

Arguing that the besieged in Port Arthur could not be so badly off as reported, Mr. "Dooly" says:—"I raynimber how painid I was over the desperate plignt in th' sojers an' diplomats at Pekin. I rushed an army over there. They kill Chinymen be th' thousands, an' in th' face iv' incredible misstatements fought their way to th' dures iv' th' palace where their starvin' brothers were imprisioned. What did they find? They found th' diplomats in their shirt-sleeves fillin' packin' cases with th' undherwear in th' Chinese Empress. Th' air was filled with cries iv' Hinnyer, won't ye set on this trunk? I can't get th' lid down since ye put in that hateful idol." Th' English Ambassador was thrivin' on a gold broadred vest four thousand year old, th' French Ambassador was cratin' up th' Empor's library, an' th' German Embassy an' gallant officers in th' Kaiser were in th' observatory pris'in' off th' brass fittings in th' tillsyopes."

CONCERT AT KOWLOON.

An enjoyable concert was given at the Seamen's Institute, Kowloon, last evening commencing a half past eight and lasting for about two hours. The hall upstairs was so full that there was not even standing room for late comers. Mr. W. M. Stewart sang "Oh! Oh! Hear the wild winds blow," in a rich baritone voice.

Mr. Frank Austin's rendering of "I would I were a king" was given carefully and with considerable expression. Mr. P. W. Goldring, in his usual style, sang one of his very old favourites, "My love is come." Miss Murray Bain's singing of "Love the Peddler," rendered with appropriate vivacity, was very much appreciated. As an encore she gave "Night has a thousand eyes." Mr. H. A. Tozer brought the house down with "You do so change your mind," and then "Let her drown." Messrs. G. Keenig and F. C. Barlow contributed a violin and cello solo, an arrangement of one of Mendelssohn's songs without words. Mr. George Grimble accompanied. The combination was very good.

Article 4.—If it should be considered that the Russian army or navy deserts the objects mentioned in Article 2, which existed at the time of this agreement or in any manner changed their condition from the status in quo, the agreement shall be cancelled and the Japanese Army shall take free action.

Article 5.—Russian military and naval officers shall hand over the plan of distribution of the fortresses in Port Arthur, the plan of the underground and submarine mines and other dangerous defensive works, a list of the organisation of the army and navy in Port Arthur, a list of titles and ranks of military and naval officers, a list of official titles of civil officials, a list of the army, warships, and torpedo-craft, and lists of their crews, which are to be prepared by them.

Article 6.—The arms, ammunition, military materials, buildings, Government property, horses, torpedo-craft and appurtenances thereto shall all be left in the present positions in good order. The method of handing them over shall be decided by the delegates from the Japanese and Russian armies.

Article 7.—As the Japanese army respects the defence by the Russian army as an honourable deed, the Russian military and naval officers and civil officials attached shall be allowed to bear side arms and keep their private property of immediate necessity to daily life. Of the said officers, officials, and volunteers, those who will take part in writing to the effect that they will not take up arms or put themselves to action of any character (whatever opposed to the interest of the army and navy of Japan till the end of the war, shall be allowed to return home. Each of

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE UNITED STATES AND VENEZUELA.

LONDON, 7th January.

The United States have sent a sixty days' ultimatum to Venezuela notifying that if the United States and the European chums are not fulfilled, Admiral Dewey with a strong squadron will seize La Guaira, Puerto Carillo and Maracaibo, and send a force to Caracas.

THE SUEZ CANAL RATES.

LONDON, 7th January.

Reuter's Cairo correspondent's statement that the Suez canal rates were to be reduced has no foundation.

UNITED STATES STEAMSHIP.
SUBSIDIES.

LONDON, 7th January.

The Washington House and a joint commission of representatives have reported recommending annual subsidies of £60,000 for a monthly service and £120,000 for a fortnightly 16 knot service from the Pacific coast to Japan, China and the Philippines; or £42,000 and £84,000 respectively for a 13 knot service.

RUSSIA.

LONDON, 7th January.

Owing to the brutality displayed in supporting the recent demonstration in Moscow the Municipality has suspended the pay of the Gendarmerie until the persons responsible are punished.

THE WAR.

[REUTER'S SERVICE]

THE RECALL OF ADMIRAL ROZHDESTVENSKY.

LONDON, 7th January.

Reuter's correspondent in St. Petersburg writes that the council held in the palace yesterday discussed the recall of Admiral Rozhestvensky but no decision was arrived at.

(N.C. Daily News Service)

THE GOOD NEWS IN TOKYO.

TOKYO, 4th January.

It is considered here that nothing could be more misleading than the idea that the fall of Port Arthur means the virtual end of the war. The highest authorities here believe that the Russian resistance will be more desperate than ever.

The foreign residents here command the soberness with which the Japanese received the news of the capture of

THE FILIPINO "AMOK" CASE.

PAGAIN'S STATEMENT.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

The hearing of this case, in which Pagain was charged with the murder of another Filipino called Apowen, on the American steamer *Tremont*, was continued before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz at the Police Court yesterday morning. Inspector Langley prosecuted.

Dr. Hunter, medical officer in charge of post-mortem examinations, was the next witness. After examination of the body of the dead Filipino, he found that death was due to a stab wound in the abdomen.

Dr. Howell, surgeon on the *Tremont*, said:—On hearing of the assault on board on the 5th inst., I went into the steerage, where I found Sudong lying face downward on the floor. I turned him over and found a wound on the left chest between the clavicle and the second rib. I bound the wound up. Then I noticed further back in the steerage, lying in his bunk, the man Apowen. He had several wounds on the body, the ones on the shoulder, wrist, and abdomen being serious. When I saw him he was gasping. I did not see him again before he was dead. In my opinion the abdominal wound was the cause of death.

By Inspector Langley.—After embalming the body I ordered it to be confined as a means of keeping it. I was present on the 6th inst. and ordered the coffin to be opened at your request.

Charles Petersen deposed:—I am quartermaster on the s.s. *Tremont*. I was on duty on board on the evening of the 5th inst. I went down to the mess room to get cup of tea. While there I heard a yell and hearing a second, went to see the cause of it. I went into the galley and saw a man standing there. I switched on the light and saw blood all over the floor, and that the man was wounded. I also saw that another man was killed. A woman pointed him out to me lying in his bunk. I went on deck and told the doctor and the second mate, who reported the matter to the Captain.

Dangsan, one of the Filipino women on board the *Tremont*, declared:—I am a passenger returning to the Philippines from the St. Louis Exhibition. There are 24 of us on board. We are natives of Igorroto. I was asleep in the steerage on the night of the 5th. I was awakened by cries of "Anima," "Anima"; which means "I am in great pain." I pushed aside the covering of my bunk and looked out. I saw Apowen in his bunk across the room, holding his hand on his stomach and cutting out "Anima, Anima" again. I could see blood dripping down. I called out for assistance. Our companions (the Igorrotes) sat up in their beds. As I looked at them I noticed that one of the number was missing. I know Sudong. He did not sleep in the same room as Apowen. The dagger produced belongs to another Filipino on board. I saw the accused take it from the top of a bunk. I told Mr. Pettit, who went and took it from the accused. He handed it to me. I returned it to the owner, who put it into his box and locked it up. I know of no quarrel between any members of the party on board. Defendant and deceased are both married men, but their wives are not on board.

Leung Wah declared:—I am a watchman at the Kowloon Godowns. I was alongside the *Tremont* on the 5th inst. One of the Filipinos on board came down on to my boat with a rope. He went on board a sampan from my boat. After some time the Filipino returned to my boat. He wanted to get into a water tank on board. I prevented him from doing so. He then wanted to go into the hold, but as I would not let him he crossed again to a cargo boat. He stood on the deck for about eight or ten minutes, then he jumped into the water, and I did not see him again. I cannot recognise the prisoner. It was nearly dark when I saw him.

Charles Ernest Pettit deposed:—I am in charge of the Filipinos returning from the St. Louis Exposition. I was ashore when the trouble occurred on the *Tremont*. I returned on board about twelve o'clock that night. I do not know of any quarrel amongst the members of the Filipino Company. I took the knife produced from Pagain about three days before the murder. I handed it back to the owner.

Lazaro Belit, the Filipino interpreter, stated:—I was on board the *Tremont* when the tragedy occurred. I did not go down in the steerage. I saw Apowen in his bunk from outside. I have known the deceased 20 years, and the accused 16 years. I know of no quarrels between them. The literal translation of the words of the accused when he saw knife in the Doctor's hand, is: "It is true that I killed that man with this knife." On the night of the murder, the defendant was the only one of the company missing from the ship. A general search was made, but proved of no avail. I next saw him at the Central Station on the 7th instant, where, after reading over and explaining the charge to him, and cautioning him in the usual form, I took his statement, which consisted of one word meaning "Yes."

Nicholas George Nolan, Police Court Interpreter, said:—On the 7th instant defendant was charged at the Central Police Station. I read and explained the charge to the last witness. The defendant made a statement to the interpreter which he wrote on a statement form. He wrote the word "Si" on the interpretation whereon is "Yes."

P.C. No. 112 gave evidence as to seeing the signals on board the *Tremont* for Police assistance; also as to the search on board for Pagain.

ACCUSED'S STATEMENT.

On being asked if he had anything to say Pagain said:—"When I came on shore from the steamer I intended to go on board again. There were Chinese on the shore. They said 'By-and-byé, by-and-byé.' A policeman then came and arrested me and brought me to the station."

His Worship committed accused to take his trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Pagain was further charged with the murder of the rickshaw coolie at West Point on Friday last. After hearing the evidence of arrest, His Worship remanded the case till the 16th instant.

"TREMONT" OFFICERS IN TROUBLE.

CAPTAIN AND DOCTOR REPRIMANDED.

During the hearing of the Filipino murder case at the Police Court yesterday, Mr. Gompertz called the Captain of the *Tremont* into Court, and asked him what steps were taken to inform the Police of the murder on board.

The Captain said the Police signal lights were shown—two red lights with a white light in the centre. This was done about midnight. No attention was taken by the Police. It was a very dark night. Blue lights were also burnt on board.

His Worship: You did not consider the escape of the Filipino of sufficient urgency to fire a gun, or to send a ship ashore?

The Captain: No.

His Worship: What should you have done in case of a fire on board?

The Captain: Sent up a rocket.

His Worship: It is very curious that the sergeant on duty in the Police pinnace passed your ship at a distance of not more than 200 yards, and did not notice any signal lights. It has been given in evidence that the Filipino, Pagain, was in a lighter alongside your ship at one o'clock. If you had made more urgent signals to the Police, in all probability the man would have been secured. As it was, he landed on the Praya, and caused the death of a coolie. A man in your position should have treated the matter as a case of extreme urgency, and done your best to have the man arrested. You ought to have done considerably more than you did in the matter of obtaining Police assistance, and securing the arrest of the Filipino.

The ship's doctor, it appears, took upon himself to embalm the body of the murdered Filipino, and also stitched up the various wounds with twine.

His Worship to the Doctor: Don't you think you have been very indiscreet?

Dr. Howell: I think I have.

His Worship: It is a serious matter to interfere with criminal jurisprudence, which might possibly amount to misprision of a felony. However, I will this time overlook the matter.

POLICE COURT.

Monday, 9th January.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

STORY WOULDN'T WASH.

A coolie was charged with snatching a \$5 bill from a girl 12 years of age in Queen's Road Central on Saturday last. Defendant told His Worship that some two months ago his poor master had passed away, and he had not sufficient money to defray the burial expenses; otherwise he should not have attempted to take the money. His Worship did not believe the story and sentenced the defendant to three months' hard labour, six hours' stocks and two doses of the birch, 12 strokes in each dose.

TOLD TO HELP HIMSELF.

A coolie who was given in charge by the owner of a vegetable garden at Chungking on the 1st instant, was charged with stealing 1-ttae therefrom, informed His Worship that he must have been in the wrong garden, as the owner of one of the gardens in the vicinity had told him "to help himself." If such were the case, His Worship saw no excuse for his being where he ought not to be, and sentenced him to three weeks' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

MOLESTING A NURSE.

A Chinese nurse from the Nethersol Hospital, while returning from Church through Bridges Street on Sunday, was jeered at and stoned by three thoughtless Chinese boys. They were charged with the offence, and each ordered to pay a fine of \$25.

ANSWERED.

Juggi, an Indian guard at Victoria Gaol, charged that another guard, with assaulting him and causing grievous bodily harm. In a row he drew his sword, and striking the complainant across the head, inflicted a nasty gash. Defendant said he was very drunk at the time. The case was adjourned until to-day.

FOUND A SAMPAN.

Wak Wan, a Chinaman having no occupation and no fixed place of abode, was charged with the larceny of a sampan from West Point. He took the sampan to Fung Chow, where he offered it for sale for \$9. He soon found a purchaser willing to take it provided Mak could show his license. With the object of getting a license he went to Tai-ho. Here he was arrested by a watcher for being in unlawful possession. On appearing before the Court he told His Worship he found the sampan floating in the harbour. His Worship could not believe this, so found Mak six weeks' board and labour and ordered that the sampan be returned to the owner.

HOME NEWS FROM ABROAD.

The *Mandarin* gives the following interesting information:—

The search for the *Leyaspi* still goes on. The British authorities of Hongkong are the latest to endeavour to find some evidence of the missing steamer and have despatched a gunboat to the southern seas with that object in view.

Vessels arriving from the southern islands also report Japanese cruisers in the surrounding waters.

It seems impossible in view of these developments that the fate of the *Leyaspi* can remain much longer the subject of conjecture.

If she has been wrecked or founders some evidence of the fact must almost inevitably be discovered by the largely increased number of vessels which owing to outside causes are patrolling the waters in which the boat is supposed to have come to grief.

If on the other hand the *Leyaspi* is at Port Arthur the question of her presence there will speedily be confirmed.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

SIXTH CLUB RACE, 8TH JANUARY.

The first club race of the New Year was sailed on the 8th. There was a nice breeze blowing all day from the eastward, which did not die away as the day wore on as so often happens at this time of the year. The tide was just on the turn when the Championship class started at 1 p.m., and a couple of junks beating down on the first of the ebb thought they would like to cross the starting line at the Police Pier also. This rather upset the calculations of two of the yachts, but a fairly even start was effected, all four boats going off on the starboard tack. The wind and tide were in variable strength all down the first part of the course, and several changes of position took place. *Dione* generally kept clear, but the *Aileen*, *Elsbeth*, and *Vernon* headed each other alternately. The wind shifted more to the northward as *Lyemun* was approached, and the four yachts stood for the Lyemun Beacon in line abreast. *Dione* being to windward and *Vernon* to leeward, though slightly ahead. The Lyemun Beacon was rounded in the order *Dione*, *Elsbeth*, *Vernon*, *Aileen*, but just after

rounding the last two raced up to *Elsbeth*, and the *Vernon* passed her in rounding the Kowloon Rock. *Dione* was here five minutes ahead of the others, and getting a better wind in the heat buck gradually increased her lead to the finish. There were further changes of position, however, between the last three boats, as *Elsbeth* by a clever bit of manoeuvring just cut off the *Vernon* as she was heading for the beacon on the port tack. The *Aileen* was about a couple of minutes behind at this turn, but in the run home she caught the *Elsbeth*, but did not quite succeed in catching the *Vernon*. The times at the finish were:

Yacht	H.	M.	S.
<i>Dione</i>	3	32	30
<i>Vernon</i>	3	40	20
<i>Aileen</i>	3	41	13
<i>Elsbeth</i>	3	41	18

ONE-DESIGN CLASS.

All the yachts made a good start. *Min* by herself on the pier end of the line and *Colleen*, *Kathleen*, and *Bonito* in a cluster by the mark boat. *Min* was able, however, to cross the others comfortably when they met. Short tacks up the centre were made by all. *Bonito* doing well until her jib carried away and she lost her place whilst getting it up again. *Min* was working out a useful lead, and when she elected to stand over to the north shore close to Channel Rocks she was followed by *Colleen* and *Kathleen*. *Bonito* preferred to take the south side. The wind was puffy and very variable up by Lyemun Beacon, which was rounded by *Min* with a lead of four minutes. *Bonito* got a slant and was able to cross the others comfortably when they met. Short tacks up the centre were made by all. *Bonito* doing well until her jib carried away and she lost her place whilst getting it up again. *Min* was working out a useful lead, and when she elected to stand over to the north shore close to Channel Rocks she was followed by *Colleen* and *Kathleen*. The brethren afterwards sat down to an excellent banquet, and the following toasts were proposed and duly honoured:—"The King and the Craft" proposed by the Wor. Master; "H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, Grand Master," proposed by the Right Worshipful Brother T. F. Hough, Acting Deputy District Grand Master, and Grand Lodge officers performing the ceremony of installing Bro. Reginald Dowsett Thomas as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. Wor. Bro. Thomas afterwards invested the following officers: Wor. Bro. Lafrentz, Immediate Past Master; Bro. A. Vivian Hogg, Senior Warden; Bro. H. Staples Smith, Junior Warden; Bro. Rev. E. E. Chambers, Chaplain; Wor. Bro. E. A. Stanton, Treasurer; Bro. L. H. Gilman, Secretary; Bro. J. A. Rule, Senior Deacon; Bro. W. E. Clarke, Junior Deacon; Bro. W. D. Shelly, Director of Ceremonies; Bro. T. H. Smith, Inner Guard. The brethren afterwards sat down to an excellent banquet, and the following toasts were proposed and duly honoured:—"The King and the Craft" proposed by the Wor. Master; "H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, Grand Master," proposed by the Wor. Master; "The District Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers" was also proposed by Wor. Bro. Thomas and responded to by Right Worshipful Brother T. F. Hough. "The health of the Wor. Master of Lodge Star of South China" was proposed by Wor. Bro. Stanton and responded to by Wor. Bro. Thomas, who thanked the brethren for the very enthusiastic and cordial manner in which they had received the toast. "Sister Lodges and Visitors" was proposed by the Senior Warden and responded to by Wor. Bro. A. Schmidt. Past District Grand Warden of Northern China "Wives, Sweethearts and Daughters of Masons" proposed by the Junior Warden, was responded to by Bro. W. G. Saunders in a very bright and amusing little speech. Bro. R. C. Chambers spoke on Masonic Charity which produced several speeches from various brethren, amongst them being Wor. Bro. Edwards and Wickham. The Tyler's toast was proposed by Wor. Bro. Lafrentz. The various speeches were interspersed by musical pieces, those contributing to the harmony of the evening being Brothers H. Staples Smith, L. H. Gilman, W. G. Saunders, W. E. Clarke, and Wor. Bros. A. Schmidt, C. T. Lafrentz and R. D. Thomas. After spending a very pleasant evening, with mutual good wishes, the company broke up shortly after midnight.

Yacht H. M. S.
Min 3 55 5
Colleen 3 58 20
Kathleen 3 58 55
Bonito 4 0 0

IN THE HANDICAP CLASS, THE CHANTICLEER AND ALANNAH HAD A SPLENDID RACE TOGETHER, THE ALANNAH EVENTUALLY CROSSING THE LINE 16 SECONDS EARLIER. THE TIMES AT THE FINISH WERE AS FOLLOWS:—

Yacht	H.	M.	S.	Corrected
<i>Alannah</i>	4	59	4	59 (2)
<i>Chanticleer</i>	4	57	38 (1)	
<i>Iris</i>	4	40	7	58 (4)
<i>Doreen</i>	4	45	7	8 (3)
<i>Payne</i>	4	22	50	4 8 28 (5)

JAPANESE ORDER FOR GERMAN CAPTAIN.

It is reported that Captain Zurhosen, of the German steamer *Willehad*, which took the Japanese refugees from Russia, has had the fourth order of the Rising Sun conferred on him in recognition of the valuable services rendered by him. He is a Lieutenant on the retired list of the German navy and was recently presented to the Emperor by Count von Arcy Valley. On Boxing night a dinner was given at the Grand Hotel, Yokohama, in honour of the captain and the officers of the *Willehad*, Governor Sufu presiding. In addition to the guests of the evening Count von Arcy Valley and Consul-General Syring, amongst others, were also present. In making a presentation of a silver vase to Captain Zurhosen, the Governor of Kanagawa thanked the captain and his officers and wished them to carry away the assurance of his sincerest respect.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. steamer *Sincla* left Singapore for this port on the 9th inst. at 5 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 14th inst. at 4 p.m.

The I.G.M. steamer *Roon* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai to-day at 9 a.m., and may be expected here on Tuesday, the 17th inst.

The C.P.R. steamer *Kintuck* left Shanghai on the 8th inst., and is due here to-morrow.

The C.P.R. steamer *Torlar* arrived at Shanghai at 5.30 p.m. on Sunday, the 8th inst., and left again at noon on Monday for Hongkong, where she is due to arrive at 9 a.m. to-morrow.

Forecast:—Moderate E. to N.E. winds cloudy, fair.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

ELSE, German str., 903. F. Petersen, 8th Jan.,
—Haiphong and Hoihow 7th Jan., General
Jensen & Co.
JACOB DE DIERKEHEEN, German str., 623, B.
Oblon, 9th Jan.,—Haiphong and Hoihow
8th Jan., General—Jensen & Co.
LOONGSANG, British str., 1,002, G. S. Weigall,
9th Jan.,—Manila 6th Jan., General—
Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LYERMOON, German str., 1,232, Th. Lehmann,
9th Jan.,—Shanghai 6th Jan., General—
Siemens & Co.
OZO, British str., 2,146, W. Raniamo Coleman,
8th Jan.,—Liverpool and Singapore 31st
December, General—Dedwell & Co.
PAUCHO, British str., 1,229, K. E. Trubin, 9th
January,—Chinching 5th Jan., Rice and
General—Butterfield & Swire.
POWDERHAM, British str., 1,497, A. B. Toms,
9th Jan.,—from Bangkok, Coal—Order.
RUMI, British str., 1,611, R. W. Almond, 9th
January,—Manila 7th January, General—
Shewan, Tomes & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
9th January.

Ancines, British barque, for Amoy.
Kiaukay, British str., for Shanghai.
Loengnou, German str., for Shanghai.
Lyecowen, German str., for Canton.
Ozo, British str., for Shanghai.
Waithora, British str., for Amoy.

DEPARTURES.

8th January.
AUCHENAREEK, British str., for Kutchinotzu,
9th January.
FREJA, Norwegian str., for Shanghai.
HEDING, British str., for Shanghai.
ILFORD, British str., for Kebe.
NICOEDIA, German str., for Maji.
PITSANULOK, German str., for Bangkok.
TEREMONT, American str., for Manila.
UNIA, Norwegian str., for Yokohama.
WHAMPOA, British str., for Shanghai.

VESSELS IN DOCK. 9th January.
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—*Phra Nang*.
KOWLOON DOCKS.—U.S.S. *Fatheron*, *Agincourt*, *Hive*, *Indravati*, U.S.S. *Seward*, *Shirlee*, *Nanwan*, *Azul*.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—*Stanley Dollar*.

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THE Steamship.

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Captain Charlton, will be despatched for
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S.S. "POLYNESIEN" ... 21st February.

L. BRIDOU,

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Hongkong, 28th December, 1904.

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above ports TO-DAY, the 10th inst., at 5 P.M.

For Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, 7th January, 1905.

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Hongkong, 4th January, 1905.

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Hongkong, 29th December, 1904.

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pany's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building,
First Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. MIHARA,

Manager.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1905.

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To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

- 1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
- 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.
- 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.
- 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

VEHICLES ADVERTISED AS LOADING

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & B.R.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	MALTA	Brit. str.	—	R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 14th inst. at Noon.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	HYSON	Brit. str.	1 m.	Davis	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	PELAM	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th Feb.
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	IDOMENUS	Brit. str.	—	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th Feb.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	DUMBEA	Fren.str.	—	Charbonnel	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-day, at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	KINTUCK	Brit. str.	—	Terrible	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	PALAWAN	Brit. str.	—	J. D. Andrews, E.N.R.	MELCHERS & CO.	About 18th inst.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	ROON	Ger. str.	k.w.	G. Meiners	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 13th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FEED, LAEISZ	Ger. str.	k.w.	von Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	AMBRIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Porzelius	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 31st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SITHONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 9th Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARCADIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Förck	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Lüning	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	HUENANIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Behrens	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 28th inst., P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	CHINA	Ans.str.	—	Tomanovich	SANDER, WIELKE & CO.	On 29th inst.
TRISTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HECTOR	Brit. str.	1 m.	Edmonson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Feb.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	AJAX	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	CROYDON	Brit. str.	—	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.	About 30th inst.
NEW YORK	RAES ISLA	Brit. str.	—	...	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	About 21st inst.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	STANDBA	Brit. str.	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	About 25th inst.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	STANDBA OIL CO.	Brit. str.	—	...	STANDBA OIL CO.	To-morrow.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	Brit. str.	—	...	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 25th inst.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	Brit. str.	—	...	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 19th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	TEREMONT	Brit. str.	1 m.	T. W. Garlick	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 27th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE, WASH. &c.	IYO MARU	Brit. str.	—	S. J. Parsons	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 23rd inst., at Daylight.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAGASAKI, &c.	TYDEUS	Brit. str.	—	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Daylight.
PORTLAND, OREGON	NUMANTIA	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	Brehmer	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	On 20th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TAIWAN	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	...	About 14th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	DUNBIGHIRE	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	Rafson	SIRMESS & CO.	Quick despatch.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TILATJAP	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 5 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EIGER	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at Daylight.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	WOOSUNG	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.	On 12th inst., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHONGSAN	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	About 14th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TAESANG	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	...	On 13th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CANTON	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	...
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	PALMA	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	...
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	SIMLA	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	...
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TRIUMPH	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	...
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	FRITHJOF	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	...
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	DECIMA	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	...
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	HAZELIA	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	...
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TRIFLIE	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	...
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TRIUMPH	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...	...
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TRIUMPH	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TRIUMPH	AUSTRALIAN	1 m.	...</td		

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OUTWARDS.

STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "AJAX"	On 11th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "TYDEUS"	On 24th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "PAKLING"	On 26th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "IDOMENEUS"	On 26th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "PROMETHEUS"	On 31st January.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP...	"HYSON"	On 17th January.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL...	"HECTOR"	On 20th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP...	"PRIAM"	On 31st January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP...	"GLAUCUS"	On 14th February.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL...	"AJAX"	On 20th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP...	"IDOMENEUS"	On 28th February.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and al. PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"TYDEUS"	On 27th January.
For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.		[9.10]

Hongkong, 30th December, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"WOSUNG"	On 10th January.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 10th January.
CEBU and ILIOLO	"KAIFONG"	On 11th January.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TAIWUAN"	On 20th January.
TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE		
REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.		
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.		[11]

Hongkong, 7th January, 1905.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.
CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).
R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF CHINA" ... 6,000 TONS. WEDNESDAY, 11th Jan.
R.M.S. "TARTAR" ... 4,425 TONS. WEDNESDAY, 25th Jan.
R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF INDIA" ... 6,000 TONS. WEDNESDAY, 8th Feb.
R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 TONS. WEDNESDAY, 8th Mar.
R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 TONS. WEDNESDAY, 15th Mar.
Hongkong to London, 1st Class, £60. via St. Lawrence £60. via New York £62.
Intermediate on Steamers, £42.
and 1st Class Rail "240." "242.

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW "EMPEROR" STEAMSHIPS passing through the famous INLAND SEA of JAPAN, usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS and make connection with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

R.M.S. "TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" carry "Intermediate" passengers only at Intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

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For further information, Maps, Guides, Handbooks, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to D. W. CRADDOCK, Acting General Agent, 9, Old Bond Street.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	"CHOYSANG" ... Wednesdays, 11th Jan., D'light.	
SHANGHAI	"TAKSANG" Thurs., 12th Jan., D'light.	
MANILA	"LOONGSANG" ... Fri., 13th Jan., 4 P.M.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG" Wednesdays, 18th Jan., 3 P.M.	

* These steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

+ Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Chefoo, Tientsin and Yangtze Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 60th January, 1905.

HONGKONG—MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships. Electric Light Perfect Cuisine. SURGEON and STEWARDESSES carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	FOR	SAILING DATE.
RUBI.....	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila.	Sat., 14th Jan., 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO.....	2940	R. Rodger.....	Manila.	Sat., 21st Jan., 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1905.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
SHANGHAI	{ PALMA G. W. Cockman, E.N.E.	About 12th January	Freight only.
LONDON, &c.	{ MALTA R. A. Peters	Noon, 14th January	See Special Advertised.
SHANGHAI	{ SIMLA F. E. Summers	About 14th January	Freight and Passage.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, DIRECT VIA PALAWAN	{ PALAWAN J. D. Andrews, E.N.E.	About 18th January	Freight and Passage.
SINGAPORE, PENANG			
COLOMBO and PORT SAID			

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1904.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

The Ernest Simon, with the French Mail of the 9th December, left Saigon on Monday, the 1st inst., at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday the 12th inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 5th November.

The Scale, with the English Mail of the 16th December, left Singapore on Monday, the 2d inst., at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 14th inst.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR PER DATE

Canton Tuesday, 10th, 7.30 A.M.
Macao Tuesday, 10th, 7.30 A.M.
Bangkok Tuesday, 10th, 9.00 A.M.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama Tuesday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
EUROPE, C. & India via Tukicorin Printed Matter and Samples 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

Macao Tuesday, 10th, 11.00 A.M.
Chinkiang Tuesday, 10th, 11.30 P.M.
Shanghai Tuesday, 10th, 12.00 A.M.
Maula Tuesday, 10th, 12.30 P.M.
Shanghai Tuesday, 10th, 1.00 P.M.
Shanghai Tuesday, 10th, 1.30 P.M.
Hainan and Haiphong Tuesday, 10th, 2.00 P.M.
Carl Dierckens Tuesday, 10th, 2.30 P.M.
Holden Tuesday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
Purwae Tuesday, 10th, 3.30 P.M.
Chawang Tuesday, 10th, 4.00 P.M.
Kinsland Tuesday, 10th, 4.30 P.M.
Tukching Tuesday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Taichuan Tuesday, 10th, 5.30 P.M.
Hoatu Tuesday, 10th, 6.00 P.M.

Australia Tuesday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Hankow Wednesday, 11th, 7.30 A.M.
Wingchau Wednesday, 11th, 7.30 A.M.
Foshing Wednesday, 11th, 10.00 A.M.
Phraeang Wednesday, 11th, 10.00 A.M.
Empress of China (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER (B.C.)
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)

Macao Letters 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta Wednesday, 11th, 1.15 P.M.
Cebu and Iloilo Wednesday, 11th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai Wednesday, 11th, 2.30 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo Wednesday, 11th, 3.00 P.M.
Canton Wednesday, 11th, 3.30 P.M.
Nantao Wednesday, 11th, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai Wednesday, 11th, 4.30 P.M.
Macao Wednesday, 11th, 5.00 P.M.
Satow, Amoy and Foochow Wednesday, 11th, 5.30 P.M.
Macao Wednesday, 11th, 6.00 P.M.
Shanghai Wednesday, 11th, 6.30 P.M.
Canton Wednesday, 11th, 7.00 P.M.
Nantao Wednesday, 11th, 7.30 P.M.
Taichuan Wednesday, 11th, 8.00 P.M.
Hoatu Wednesday, 11th, 8.30 P.M.
Hankow Wednesday, 11th, 9.00 P.M.
Ischia Wednesday, 11th, 10.00 P.M.

TO-MORROW.
Sale, Household Furniture, S. Police Station, Caine Road, Mr. V. I. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
9th January.

ON LONDON.— Telegraphic Transfer 1/13
Bank Bills, on demand 11/14
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 11/14
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 11/14
Credits, at 4 months' sight 11/14
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 11/14

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand 24/5
Credits, at 4 months' sight 24/5

ON GERMANY.— Oil, demand 189/4

ON NEW YORK.— Bank Bills, on demand 47/4
Credits, 60 days' sight 48/4

ON BOMBAY.— Telegraphic Transfer 145/4

Bank, on demand 145/4

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer 145/4

Bank, on demand 145/4

ON SHANGHAI.— Oil, demand 189/4

Bank, at sight 71/4

Private, 30 days' sight 72/4

ON YOKOHAMA.— Oil, demand 96

ON MANILA.— Oil, demand 94

ON SINGAPORE.— Oil, demand 1 p.c. per ton

ON BATAVIA.— Oil, demand 117/4

ON HAIPHONG.— Oil, demand 1 p.c. per ton

ON SAIGON.— Oil, demand 84

ON BANGKOK.— Oil, demand 84

Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate \$10.15

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael \$54.00

BAR SILVER, 100 fine, per tael 27/4

OPium.

9th January.

Quotations are— Allowance net to 1 catty.

Malwa New \$1070 to \$1090 per picul

Malwa Old \$1140 to \$1160 "

Malwa Older \$1200 to \$1220 "

Malwa V. Old \$1250 to \$1270 "

Persian fine quality \$880 to —

Persian extra fine \$900 to —

Fatma New \$1120 to — for purchase.

Fatma Old \$8 — to —

Fatma New \$1080 to —

Banaras Old \$8 — to —

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. steamer *Ernest Simon* left Saigon yesterday at 2 p.m., and is due here on the 12th Jan.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer *Gulfic*, from San Fran-

cisco to the 13th Dec. via Honolulu, left Yoko-

hama for this port via Kobe, &c., on the 5th Jan.

THE P.M. steamer *Sheria*, from San Francisco to the 17th Dec. via Honolulu, left Yokohama for this part on the 6th Jan., a.m., via Kobe, &c., and is due here on the 14th Jan.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Sindia* left Singapore for this port on the 9th Jan. at 6 a.m., and is due here on the 13th Jan. at 4 p.m.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The J.G.M. steamer *Roon* left Kobe via Nag-

saki and Shanghai on the 9th Jan. at 9 a.m., and may be expected here on Tuesday, the 17th Jan.

The I.G.M. steamer *Zieten* left Colombo on the 7th Jan., p.m., and may be expected here on the 18th Jan.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of India* left Vancouver on Monday, the 25th Dec., p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

SHIPMENT STEAMERS.

The Indo-China steamer *Nanseng*, from Cal-

cutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 3rd Jan., at 5 p.m.

The J.C.J. Lijs steamer *Tjilatjap* left Macassar for this port on the 2nd Jan., and is due here to-day.

The C.M. steamer *Kintuck* left Shanghai on the 8th Jan., and is due here to-morrow.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 9th January.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shui.	\$125	\$710, sellers £100, £21.
Natl. Bank of China		
A. Shares B. Shares Koun. Shares.	28 28 21	\$28, sales \$28, sales \$10.
Insurance—		
Union	\$103	\$590, buyers £25.
China Traders	\$25	\$58.
North China	60	Tls. 90, sellers £10.
China and Manlia	50	\$33, rates £15.
Douglas Steamship	50	\$250.
Star Ferry	50	\$840, buyers £91, buyers £91.
Shel. Transport & Trading Co.	21	25s, ex div.
Dockers Etc.—		
G. & W. Doek	500	\$220, sellers £12, sellers & buy.
H. & K. Wharf & G...	500	\$12, sellers £12, sellers & buy.
New Amoy Dock	60	\$271, sellers £15.
S.C.F. Buoy & Co., Ltd.	100	Tls. 1.5, ex div., cum new issue.
Land and Building		
Hongkong Land Inv.	100	\$146, sellers £15.
Kowloon Land & B.	80	\$88, sellers £15.
West Point Building	50	\$150.
Hongkong Hotel	60	\$143, sellers £15.
Humphreys E.	10	\$12, sellers £15.
Shanghai Land....	50	Tls. 117.
otton Mills—		
Evo. International	60	Tls. 25, buyers £15.
Leao Kung Mow	100	Tls. 30.
Sociedad	500	\$15, sellers £15.
Hongkong	10	\$137, sellers £15.
Philippines Co., Ltd.	500	\$101, buyers £15.
Alambra, Ltd.	20	\$240, buyers £15.
Hei's Asbestos E. A.	60	\$134, buyers £15.
Campbell, Moore & Co.	100	\$134, buyers £15.
China-Jones & Co., Ltd.	100	\$134, buyers £15.
China Prov. L. & M.	20	\$150.
Dairy Farm	50	\$13, sellers £15.
Geo. Fenwick & Co.	50	\$15, sellers £15.
Green Island Cement	50	\$15, buyers & sellers £15.
Hongkong Electric	100	\$15, buyers £15.
Hongkong & C. Gas	100	\$15, buyers £15.
H. H. L. Tramways	100	\$25, sellers £15.
Hongkong Ice	100	\$25, sellers £15.
Hongkong Ropeway	100	\$20, sellers £15.
Hk. Steam Water-boat Co. Ltd.	100	\$20, sellers £15.
Philippine Co., Ltd.	100	\$91, sellers £15.
S. & H. Dyeing & C. Co., Ltd.	50	\$50.
C. China Morning Post	25	\$22, buyers £15.
China Light and Power Co., Ltd.	10	\$10, sellers £15.
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	5	\$7.
United Asbestos Co., Ltd.	8	\$4, sellers £15.
Watkins, Ltd.	10	\$18.
Watson & Co., A.S.	10	\$24, buyers £15.
William Powell, Ltd.	10	\$13, sellers £15.

VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.
From 10th to the 16th January.

WEEK.	Month.	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
		Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.	Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.
Tues.	10.	11. 15	4	11. 15	3
Wed.	11.	11. 27	6	11. 27	5
Thurs.	12.	11. 49	3	11. 49	2
Fri.	13.	11. 61	6	11. 61	5
Sat.	14.	11. 73	4	11. 73	3
Sun.	15.	11. 23	5	11. 23	4
Mon.	16.	11. 35	1	11. 35	2

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.

8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.

8.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 10 minutes.